Online collection gives teachers access to resources

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Kentucky teachers now have access to an online collection of textbooks, animations and videos they can use in the classroom.

The Kentucky Learning Depot will be available to all educators, from preschool to college. State education agencies launched the online repository Tuesday after more than two years of work.

"The Kentucky Learning Depot will provide Kentucky educators with an easily accessible source of rich and engaging digital learning content," Education Commissioner Terry Holliday said.

"Students will benefit from the delivery format, which they are very familiar with, and their teachers will gain knowledge of best practices that will improve their methodology."

Organizers say the site will speed up lesson planning, by allowing teachers to create resources they can reuse and share.

The depot will also bring together digital content from the Kentucky Virtual Library, the Kentucky Virtual Campus and Kentucky Virtual High School.

Led by the Council on Postsecondary Education and the Kentucky Department of Education, the initiative is a collaboration of the Education Cabinet, Education Professional Standards Board, KET, Kentucky Adult Education, Kentucky Department of Libraries and Archives, public schools and universities.

"We are pleased to join with the Kentucky Department of Education and other agencies to offer this resource to Kentucky's teachers," said CPE President Robert King.

"The depot will enhance our collective efforts to implement Senate Bill 1 through the sharing of digital course content that aligns with the new academic standards."